

QUEEN OF APOSTLES PASTORAL COUNCIL

MEETING MINUTES

Chairperson: Christy Rosenberger

Secretary/ Minutes: Stephanie Fong

Date/Time: Wednesday, March 17, 2021 6:30 p.m.

Location: Zoom

Participants: Father Chuck, Ellen Donley, Stephanie Fong, Mike Hausman, Helena Keeley, Cindy Klopp, Kathy Korn, Christy Rosenberger, Dale Servais, Mike Szocs, John Schuller, Becky Wagner

Excused: Debbie Hanfler, Anna Grzeszczak

Guest(s): Pat Quinn-Casper

Item	Discussion	Next Steps & Responsible Party
Prayer	The meeting began on time with a prayer.	Led by Becky
Introductions	Pat Quinn-Casper	
Commission focus	Pat Quinn-Casper brought us up to date with the Stewardship Commission. She gave background on some initiatives begun before Covid that have been on hold ie: (welcome gatherings for new members / welcome "baskets"). This past year's Stewardship campaign was successful; fewer surveys were returned but parishioners were more generous. The commission is focusing on developing a new Ministries booklet. This booklet would be part of a "Welcome Packet" for new parishioners. Father has also agreed to record a welcoming video to be emailed. All new members are contacted by phone, welcomed, and encouraged to become part of parish life. We have had 20 new members join the parish since January, 2020. Many of them are not attending Mass in person, but are happy to be with us. Stewardship would like to take a photo of the beautiful Queen of Apostles window to grace the cover of the Ministries Booklet. Suggestions given. Pat asked for input on doing a parish census to clean up the data we have so that we can be better stewards of our resources and understand better the needs of our community. Eventually, we would like to do a new photo directory of the parish.	
Minutes	The minutes were approved as written	
Father's Update	Father shared about the preparations for Lent. There will be reconciliation opportunities March 24 from 8am-8pm at St. Charles. Services for the Triduum are as follows: Holy Thursday - 7pm, Good Friday - 3pm, Sat - 10:30am Blessing of Easter Foods, Holy Saturday Vigil - 8pm, Easter Sunday - 7:30am, 9:30am and 11:30am. Reservations for Easter Sunday are required. Father will be taking a few vacation days after Easter and we have a priest scheduled for daily Mass in his absence.	
Trustee Update	The close on the sale of St. Mary's is set for March 25 at 8am. Minor details left to take care of. Special thanks to Bill Ryan and Bob Meyer who have worked tirelessly behind the scenes.	

<p>Council Items</p>	<p>Youth and Young Adult (Anna) No Report</p> <p>Lifelong Faith Formation (Stephanie and Cindy)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See attached LFF notes. <p>Human Concerns (Debbie) No Report</p> <p>Prayer and Worship (Kathy and Ellen)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We are following the new protocols for Lent and Easter from the Arch D. On Palm Sunday, greeters with gloves /masks will hand out palms. There will be no procession. For Holy Thursday there will be no washing of feet or Altar of Repose. For Good Friday, the Veneration of the Cross will be without kissing or touching. Decoration of the Church will begin on Monday of Holy Week. • P&W want people to feel they are celebrating as part of the community and grateful that we can indeed celebrate together this year. <p>Stewardship / Volunteerism (Becky) Nothing to add to Pat Quinn-Casper's report</p> <p>Finance (Helena / Mike S)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See attached Cemetery notes. • The next Finance Council meeting will be March 30, after the sale of St. Mary's is complete. <p>Strategic Plan (Christy)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The DMI focus group has met. They are discussing the DMI results and plan to communicate the main areas of focus to the parish via bulletin insert in April. 	
<p>Council Items</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parish attendance and contribution numbers are attached. • Commission visit for April: LifeLong Faith Commission • John S. reminded us that all commissions need to prepare their budget proposals before the end of April 	<p>Liaisons should communicate to their commissions that budgets should be finalized</p>
<p>New Items</p>	<p>Mike S proposed that QoA as a parish could adopt a favorite charity. Discussion centered around the excellent relationship our youth already has with the Mac Cannon Brown Homeless Sanctuary and how we could widen our support both monetarily and with volunteerism. Suggestions to heighten awareness to the general parish included: having teens speak at Mass about their experiences volunteering, asking representatives from MBHS to speak to the parish, having a follow up sheet in the bulletin. Father suggested this could be a project to take up after the spring sacraments celebrations are completed.</p>	<p>Stephanie will discuss with Liz</p>

Next Meeting Agenda Items	Next meeting is Wednesday, April 21, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. Grellinger Hall / Zoom TBD	Prayer Leader will be Ellen
Closing Prayer	The meeting ended with a prayer.	

Attachments: Cemetery notes, Finance Notes, Lifelong Faith Formation Commission Notes